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The Christian life ...

- ...Is not about YOU; it's about JESUS CHRIST! (Phil.1:20-21; Jer.9:23-24)
- ...is not about YOUR GLORY; it's about GOD'S GLORY! (1 Cor.1:31, 10:31)
- ...is not about YOUR MERIT AND RESOURCES; it's about GOD'S GRACE AND PROVISIONS! (John 1:16; Romans 5:1-2; 1 Cor.15:10)
- ...is not about YOUR WISDOM; it's about GOD'S WORD! (Isaiah 55:8-11; Ps.1:1-3)
- ...is not about YOUR WILL; it's about GOD'S WILL! (Matt.26:39; Romans 12:1-2)
- ...is not lived through YOUR STRENGTH; it's lived by the power of the HOLY SPIRIT! (Romans 7 & 8; Zech.4:6; Ephesians 5:18)
- ...is not lived on YOUR TERMS; it's lived on GOD'S TERMS! (Romans 6:11-13; 12:1-2)
- ...it is not about SERVICE FIRST; it's about SPIRITUALITY FIRST! (John 15:1-5)
- ...it is not about PLEASING YOURSELF; it's about PLEASING GOD! (2 Cor.5:8-10)
- ...it is not about WALKING BY SIGHT OR BY FEELINGS; it's about WALKING BY FAITH in the SUFFICIENCY OF JESUS CHRIST! (Col.2:6; 2 Cor. 5:7; Heb.11:6; Gal.2:20; Jer.17:5-8)
- ...it is not about COVERING YOUR SINS; it's about CONFESSING YOUR SINS. (1 Cor.11:28-32; 1 John 1:5-10; Prov.28:13)
- ...The key to the HORIZONTAL is the VERTICAL! (Ps.127:1; Gal.3:1-5; John15:1-5; Eph.5:18-6:9)
- ... The SUFFERING is in THIS life; the GLORY is in the NEXT! (Rom.8:18-25; 2 Cor. 4:16-18)
- ...Apart from a right vertical relationship with the Lord, MAN IS MISERABLE AND LIFE IS MEANINGLESS! (Ecclesiastes)
- ...We must KEEP our EYES on the LORD and His FAITHFULNESS, and not on PEOPLE and their FAILINGS! (Hebrews 12:1-2; 2 Timothy 2:13; 1 Thess.5:24; Lam.3:22-24))
- ...Your greatest problem is YOU and your INDEPENDENCE and UNBELIEF; it is not your CIRCUMSTANCES or OTHERS. (Romans 7:14-18; James 1:2-4; 1 Peter 1:6-7)
- ... To be DISAPPOINTED WITH YOURSELF is to have BELIEVED IN YOURSELF! (2 Cor. 3:5-6)
- ... The way UP is DOWN, as HE must INCREASE and YOU must DECREASE! (2 Cor. 4:8-11; Jn 3:30)
- ...GOD RESISTS THE PROUD BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE! (James 4:6; 1 Peter 5:5)
- ...GOD'S GRACE IS SUFFICIENT FOR YOU, for WHEN YOU ARE WEAK (in yourself) YOU CAN BE STRONG (in the Lord)! (2 Cor.12:7-10)
- ...It's better to be a FELLOWSHIPPING MARY than a BUSY but BARREN MARTHA! (Lk. 10:38-42)